

Claim Listing

Claims 1-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A method for treating alcohol dependency comprising administering an effective amount of flumazenil to a patient in need of treatment,

wherein the flumazenil is administered sequentially in doses between about 0.1 and 0.3 mg of flumazenil at time intervals between about 1 and 15 minutes, and

wherein the amount is effective to treat alcohol dependency.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the effective amount of flumazenil is between about 1.5 and 2.5 mg/day.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the amount of flumazenil that is administered in each sequential administration is about 0.2 mg.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the flumazenil is administered at intervals of about 3 minutes.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the effective amount of flumazenil is about 2 mg/day.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the flumazenil is administered orally or parenterally.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the parenteral administration of flumazenil is intravenous administration.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the flumazenil is administered at doses of about 0.2 mg of flumazenil at intervals of about 3 minutes until an effective amount of flumazenil has been administered.

25. (Currently amended) The method of claim 24, wherein the ~~therapeutically~~ effective amount is about 2 mg/day.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the flumazenil is administered before, during or after treatment with an additional agent.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the additional agent is clomethiazole.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein the additional agent is selected from the group consisting of Vitamin B Complex, Piracetam, vitamins, minerals, proteins, amino acids, disulfiram, fluoxetine, and combinations thereof.

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the flumazenil is administered under sedation.

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the administration of flumazenil reduces ~~or eliminates~~ the desire to drink alcohol.

Claims 31- 45 (Cancelled)

46. (New) A method for treating alcohol dependency comprising administering an effective amount of flumazenil to a patient in need of treatment,

wherein the flumazenil is administered sequentially in doses between about 0.1 and 0.3 mg of flumazenil at time intervals between about 1 and 15 minutes,

wherein the amount is effective to treat alcohol dependency, and

wherein the flumazenil reduces the desire to drink alcohol.

47. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the effective amount of flumazenil is between about 1.5 and 2.5 mg/day.

48. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the amount of flumazenil that is administered in each sequential administration is about 0.2 mg.

49. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the flumazenil is administered at intervals of about 3 minutes.

50. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the effective amount of flumazenil is about 2 mg/day.

51. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the flumazenil is administered orally or parenterally.

52. (New) The method of claim 51, wherein the parenteral administration of flumazenil is intravenous administration.

53. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the flumazenil is administered at doses of about 0.2 mg of flumazenil at intervals of about 3 minutes until an effective amount of flumazenil has been administered.

54. (New) The method of claim 53, wherein the effective amount is about 2 mg/day.

55. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the flumazenil is administered before, during or after treatment with an additional agent.

56. (New) The method of claim 55, wherein the additional agent is clomethiazole.

57. (New) The method of claim 55, wherein the additional agent is selected from the group consisting of Vitamin B Complex, Piracetam, vitamins, minerals, proteins, amino acids, disulfiram, fluoxetine, and combinations thereof.

58. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein the flumazenil is administered under sedation.